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SUBJ: BIO DATA ON FOURTH PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT SECRETARIES OF
STATE

REF: LISBON 1785

1. IN APRIL 4 AFTERNOON CEREMONY IN BELEM PALACE, PRESIDENT
COSTA GOMES SWORE IN ELEVEN MORE SECRETARIES OF STATE AND TWO
SUB-SECRETARIES. BIOGRAPHIES OF THOSE SECRETARIES SWORN IN EARLIER
PROVIDED IN REF. MAJORITY OF APPOINTMENTS NOT NEW TO GOP SINCE
APRIL 1974. BIO DATA FOLLOWS:

2. MINISTRY OF INTERNAL ADMINISTRATION:

(A) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR REGIONAL AND LOCAL ADMINISTRATION:

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CELSO GALVAO PINTO DE ALMEIDA. BORN IN ORCA, PORTUGAL, 47 YEARS

AGO. LAW DEGREE FROM UNIVERSITY OF COIMBRA IN 1951. PRACTICING LAWYER 1951-1957 IN CASTRO DAIRE, PORTUGAL. NOTARY IN ORIQUE 1957-1964. RESUMED LAW PRACTICE IN BEJA IN 1964. ALMEIDA RAN AS CDE CANDIDATE FOR LOWER ALENTEJO IN 1969.

(B) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION: RUI BARRADAS DO AMARAL. BORN IN 1943. 1967 GRADUATE OF ECONOMICS FACULTY IN OPORTO. MILITARY SERVICE FROM 1968-1971. INVOLVED IN LABOR UNIONS SINCE 1964. APPOINTED TO SAME POSITION IN DECEMBER, 1974.

3. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:

(A) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION: CAPT ARMANDO FONSECA DE ALMEIDA. NO BIO DATA AVAILABLE.

(B) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR HIGHER EDUCATION AND SCIENTIFIC INVESTIGATION: DR. ANTONIO JOSE AVELAS NUNES. BORN IN PINHEL, DR. NUNES GRADUATED IN LAW FROM THE UNVIVERSITY OF COIMBRA AND COMPLETED THE COURSE IN JURIDICAL SCIENCES. HE HAD DEDICATED HIMSELF TO A TEACHING CAREER. WHILE A STUDENT, HE PARTICIPATED ACTIVELY IN STUDENT ASSOCIATION MOVEMENTS. HE WAS APPOINTED SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SPORTS AND SCHOOL SOCIAL ACTION IN JULY 1974.

(C) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR PEDAGOGICAL ORIENTATION: DR. RUI GRACIO. GRACIO IS 53 AND WAS PREVENTED BY DGS FROM TEACHING IN LISBON UNIVERSITY. HE PARTICIPATED WITH MARIO SOARES AND OCTAVIO PATO (COMMUNIST LEADER) IN ELECTORAL OPPOSITIONIST GROUP KNOWN AS MUD JUVENIL. WHILE ON ITS CENTRAL COMMITTEE HE WAS ARRESTED AND BRIEFLY JAILED. HE IS A RESEARCHER AT THE GULBENKIAN FOUNDATION, WHERE HE SPECIALIZED IN EDUCATIONAL REFORM AND IS A LEADER OF THE SOCIALIST PARTY. HE WAS APPOINTED TO HIS POSITION IN JULY, 1974.

(D) SECRETARY OF STATE FOR CULTURE AND ADULT EDUCATION: DR. JOAO DE FREITAS BRANCO. BRANCO IS A GRADUATE IN MATHEMATICS FROM THE LISBON FACULTY OF SCIENCES AND PRICIPATED IN THE MATHEMATICS RESEARCH GROUP HEADED BY PROF. RUU LUIS GOMES IN OPORTO. HE LATER BECAME A PRIVATE SCHOOL TEACHER. HE WAS FOUNDER AND PRESIDENT OF THE PORTUGUESE MUSICAL YOUTH (JUVENTUDE MUSICAL PORTUGUESA) AND HAS GIVEN MANY MUSIC RECITALS ON THE NATIONAL BROADCASTING STATION AND ON TV. UNTIL AUGUST 1974, HE WAS DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL THEATER OF SAO CARLOS BEFORE ACCEPTING POSITION OF DIRECTOR GENERAL FOR CULTURAL AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE. MEMBER OF THE PORTUGAL-USSR ASSOCIA-
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TION, PRESIDENT OF THE EAST GERMAN FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY, PCP MEMBER OR SYMPATHIZER AND REPORTEDLY CLOSE FRIEND OF PM GONCALVES.

4. MINISTRY OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS:

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR HUMAN RESOURCES: DR. AMERICO HENRIQUE RODRIGUES ROMOS DOS SANTOS. 29 YEARS OLD, GRADUATED FROM LISBON ECONOMICS FACULTY IN 1967. PRESENTLY WORKING IN DIRECTORATE-GENERAL FOR PROMOTION OF EMPLOYMENT IN MINISTRY OF LABOR.

PREVIOUS WORK IN CABINET OF DR. MARIO MURTEIRA, MINISTER OF SOCIAL AFFAIRS UNDER FIRST PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT. SANTOS HAS TAUGHT ECONOMICS AND ADVISED UNIONS ON ECONOMIC MATTERS.

5. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE:

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR DEVELOPMENT: ENG. HENRIQUE LOPES MOREIRA DE SEABRA. BORN IN SANGALHOS, PORTUGAL 44 YEARS AGO. COMPLETED AGRICULTURAL ENGINEERING COURSE AT SUPERIOR INSTITUTE OF AGRONOMY IN 1953. WORKED IN PRIVATE SECTOR 1953-1958. DIRECTOR OF PHYTOPHARMACOLOGY LABORATORY OF DIRECTORATE-GENERAL OF AGRICULTURAL SERVICES SINCE 1967.

6. MINISTER OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC COORDINATION:

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SUPPLIES AND PRICES: DR. JOSE ANTONIO DA CONCEICAO NETO TO REPLACE NELSON SERGIO MELO DA ROCHA TRIGO (REFTEL). BORN IN PERNELHAS 27 YEARS AGO. 1972 DEGREE FROM LISBON FINANCE FACULTY. WORKED IN PRIVATE SECTOR FROM 1972-74 WHEN HIRED AS VICE PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL WINE BOARD.

7. MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION:

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR MERCHANT MARINE: COMMANDER JOSE CRAVINO FILIPE PEREIRA. BORN IN MANTEIGAS, PORTUGAL 42 YEARS AGO. DIRECTOR OF SERVICE OPERATIONS IN NATIONAL NAVIGATION COMPANY SINCE 1955.

8. MINISTRY OF EDUCATION:

SECRETARY OF STATE FOR SPORT AND SCHOOL SOCIAL ACTION: ENG. LUIS EFREM ELIAS CASANOVAS. CASANOVAS WAS BORN IN COIMBRA, AND WAS A STUDENT OF PROF. MARIO SILVA AT THE COIMBRA FACULTY OF SCIENCES. HE GRADUATED IN ELECTROTECHNICAL ENGINEERING FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF LAUSANNE. HE WAS ONE OF THE FOUNDERS AND PRESIDENT OF THE PORTUGUESE STUDENTS ASSOCIATION IN THE UNIVERSITY. HE HAS ALSO SERVED AS PRESIDENT OF THE

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INSTITUTE FOR SCHOOL SOCIAL ACTION SINCE SEPTEMBER, 1974. THE INSTITUTE IS CHARGED WITH IMPROVING CONDITIONS IN SCHOOLS AND FINANCIALLY AIDING LOWER INCOME STUDENTS.

9. MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND ECONOMIC COORDINATION:

SUBSECRETARY OF STATE FOR INTERNAL COMMERCE: CAPT.-LT. LUIS ANTONIO PESSOA BRANDAO. NO BIO DATA AVAILABLE.

10. MINISTRY OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATION:

SUBSECRETARY OF STATE FOR TRANSPORT: ENG. EDUARDO MARIA RATO MARTINS ZUQUETE. 40 YEARS ODL, CIVIL ENGINEERING DEGREE FROM LISBON SUPERIOR TECHNICAL INSTITUTE IN 1959. EMPLOYED BY NATIONAL ENGINEERING LABORATORY 1962-1966. MILITARY COMMISSION IN MOZAMBIQUE 1966-1968.

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